

5                   **APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING  
A PICTURE WITHIN A PICTURE DISPLAY DEVICE**

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

10           An apparatus and method for providing control of a picture within a picture  
display device having at least two windows that receive input from two different  
computers. The present invention permits a user to use input devices from one of these  
computers to control cursor movements in all windows. Moreover, the present invention  
allows data and images to be cut and pasted between the windows. The apparatus of  
the present invention includes a PWP control module that resides on each of the  
15           computers connected to the PWP display device. The PWP control device provides  
cursor control on the PWP display device and communicates cursor movements to the  
appropriate computer, depending on the cursor location. Moreover, the PWP control  
module includes a buffer for storing cut and paste data such that a common buffer is  
used to store cut and paste data from each computer. The method of the present  
20           invention includes using an input device connected to one of the computers to move the  
cursor, determining at which window the cursor is located, and sending a movement  
signal from the input device to the window at which the cursor is located.